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PRICE \$1 A YEAR.

## LAUT BROS.

### CHOICE FOODS FOR THE CHRISTMAS TABLE

Christmas is the great festival season of the year and the time when every housewife desires to present an appetizing table to her family and guests. We have choice foods gathered from all parts of the world to make your dinner a success. Our assortment awaits your choice.

#### Tasty Fresh Fruit:

You will want fruit and of course you will want it good. That's the kind we sell.

New Naval Oranges, Thin Skinned sweet and juicy, per doz.

30c and 40c

Emperor Grapes, per lb. 25c

Jap Oranges, per box 75c

#### Choice Dinner Vegetables

If you want high grade vegetables for your Christmas table we can recommend nothing better than British Columbia Potatoes, they are the best we can get.

Tomatoes, per tin 15c

Peas or Corn, per tin 12½c

Asparagus " 30c

Mushrooms " 20c

Have You Made Your Chrishmas Cake Yet?

You haven't very much time left now, and we have all the ingredients at prices that will please you.

Choice Seeded Raisins, pkg. 12½c Selected Valencia Raisins, lb. 15c California Seeded Raisins 12½c Cleamed Currents 17½c Bleached Sultanas 15c Hollow Dates, pkg. 12½c Mixed Peel, per lb. 25c

#### New Season Nuts:

Nothing is better at the end of a good meal than good, fresh nuts.

Our assortment consists of Walnuts, Filberts, Brazil, Almonds, Pecans mixed or singly at per lb.

25c.

Did you say you were short of Eggs for your Christmas Baking? Try a can of Holbrook's Egg Powder at 20c.

## Laut Brothers, HARDWARE & GROCERIES.

## New Butcher Shop

### TIMS & CUMING

Wish to inform the Public that they have opened the corner shop next to Mrs. Stevens as the

### CROSSEFIELD MEAT MARKET

and will keep in stock a choice supply of

### FRESH AND CURED MEATS, Etc.

Fresh Fish Every Thursday. Dealers in Livestock.

Phone 24. Highest Price Paid for Hides and Poultry.

## NOTICE.

A GENERAL MEETING of the Crossfield Co-operative District Association U.F.A. Limited, will held on SATURDAY, DEC. 11th, at 10-30 a.m. in the I.O.O.F. Hall, to complete the Organization and elect officers and any other business that may come before the meeting.

Signed D. K. FIKE, Temp. Pres.  
A. A. HALL, Secy.

## Local and General

Mr. and Mrs. Bray and son left town on Saturday morning for a vacation, their destination being Preston, Ont. Mr. and Mrs. D. Ontkes accompanied them to Calgary by car, returning on Sunday.

Tan-y-Bryn School—On Tuesday, December 21st, the Annual programme, Christmas Tree and Dance will be held. All welcome. Ladies provide supper.

Church of the Ascension.—On Sunday morning, Dec. 12th, Service will be conducted by Mr. Henry Ellis, Lay Reader, from St. John's Church, East Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Lynn, the newly married couple returned home on Monday evening. No reception has been given them, but the boys are intent on giving them one of the best.

#### NOTICE.

Taxpayers of the Rosebud Municipality are reminded that a Penalty will be added to any unpaid Taxes after December 15th, 1915.

E. S. McRORY,  
Secy-Treas.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. C. Dougan and Colonel Carlisle leave for St. Catharines, Ont., on Saturday, Dec. 11th, and will stay over Christmas holidays.

Turkeys, Geese and Chickens.

Next week is Poultry week. All kinds of poultry wanted at the Crossfield Meat Market. Best prices given.

Remember Thursday, Dec. 23rd, is the date of the Annual Xmas Tree and Entertainment at the Sunshine School. Programme to commence at 8.30 p.m.

Everybody welcome.

If you want to get the best price for your Hides and Poultry call on the Farmers Meat Market and get your own price.

#### ROSEBUD NOMINATIONS.

The annual meeting for the nomination of Councillors in the Municipality, which was held in Tan-y-Bryn School House on the 6th inst. resulted in the return of five councillors out of the 6 divisions by acclamation. The only division where there will be a contest is in Division 2, where Wm. J. Thompson will oppose Capt. N. J. Wigle, the present councillor.

Dr. M. Mecklenburg, Opticians and Expert Eye Specialist, will again pay a visit to Carstairs, on Wednesday, Dec. 31st, and Crossfield on Thursday, Jan. 3rd.

The McClane-Wigglesworth Co., Ltd., of Didsbury, are buying Timothy for the Government at Crossfield. See news item in another column explaining grade and prices. Get in touch with this firm at Didsbury by mail or phone if you wish to dispose of your Timothy.

Mrs. Capps wishes to inform her friends and patrons that she has removed to the old Jessiman house (east of the Fire Hall). Where she will be pleased to receive any work you may require.

Farmers Insure your Buildings in the Wanawesa Mutual Fire Insurance Co. A Company of the Farmers and for the Farmers only. Costs only about 35 cents a year for \$100 Insurance.

Chas. Hultgren, Agent.

## CHRISTMAS DAY

COMES THIS YEAR ON DECEMBER 25th

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Do you realize it is only Three Weeks Away?

Have you thought of your presents? If not

## Don't Worry—Come to Us!

We Will Show You What to Give.

## Cutlery.

50c to \$1.25. Pocket Knives 25c to \$1.50.

Knives and Forks, Butchers' Knives, Ham Slicers or Razors.

## Silverware.

Knives and Forks, Tea, Table and Dessert Spoons, Pickle Fork, Sugar

Shells, Berry Spoons, Soup Ladles, Nut Crack and pick sets, Child's Sets, in best goods at right prices.

## China.

Cups and Saucers 20c to \$1.25. Cake Plates 40c

to \$2.00. Bread and Butter Plates 15c to 50c.

Cream and Sugar Sets 50c to \$1.50. Biscuit Jars, Cocoa Pots, Spoon Trays, Celery Dishes and Berry Sets \$2, \$3 and \$5.75.

## Glassware.

A Good Assortment of near Cut Glass,

in Water Jugs, Celery, Butter and Cake Dishes, Cream and Sugar, and Water Glasses, at prices that carry them away.

Come and See What We Have, Our Prices Sell,

You Will Not be asked to Buy.

## W. McRORY & Sons,

HARDWARE SPECIALISTS AND HEATING EXPERTS.

## CROSSFIELD DISTRICT ASSOCIATION U.F.A.

THIS SPACE is retained for the use of Members of U.F.A., to Advertise anything they may want to, Sell, have to Buy or Exchange.

It is hoped that liberal patronage will be given this space, and listings not later than Tuesday evening of each week handed to the Editor or A. A. Hall, Secretary.

Lost.—Eight Pigs, about 3 months old, from 3 miles north and 2 miles east of Crossfield. Anyone knowing the whereabouts of the same give particulars to Jas. Wylie.

Wanted.—Horses and Cattle for Feed. Thos. Fitzgerald.

For Sale.—A few good Milk Cows. W. J. Anderson.

Wanted.—Roosters, White Rocks, White Wyandottes or R. I. Apply to R. C. Hubbs.

For Sale.—Black Orpington Cockrels. Apply J. Roedler.

Wanted to buy—Span of Mares or Geldings, for cash or cattle J. C. Hubbs.

Wanted to Purchase—Root Pulper for Cash. Levi Bone.

Lost.—One White Steer, coming 2 years old, branded F. N. on left ribs. Strayed from sec. 36, 28, R 2, w 5.—W. J. Wilson.

For Sale, or to trade for Stock—One Cushman Engine 4-h.p., also one Chatham Incubator, 200 egg.—L. V. Bliss.

For Sale.—Three First-class Dairy Cows, coming in about the beginning of January.—Apply Mrs. D. J. McFadgen.

Free to Members of U.F.A.

A. A. HALL, Secretary.

## It is True

That the Milling Companies have advanced Flour 30c. per 98 lb. sack.

I have Plenty at the Old Price.

BUY YOUR WINTER SUPPLY NOW.

Sugar is also higher.

I still sell mine at the Old Price.

## FARMERS' CASH STORE

Next to Post Office.

Special: Xmas mixed Nuts 5 lb a \$1

IT PAYS TO PAY CASH.



**Red Cross Notes.**

The Red Cross Society acknowledges with thanks the following donations and work:

Crossfield Sewing Circle	Tea \$2.60
Floral	" 2.05
Elba	" 4.10
Inverlea	" 2.00
Mr. Kidd	" 1.00
Mrs. J. H. Havens	" 1.00
Mrs. Ledingham	1 pair socks,
	" Woldset 1 surgical shirt.
	" Birch 3 washrags, also 2 cholera belts, 1 pair mittens donated
Mrs. Primary Room	Benedict 1 day shirt.
Crossfield School:	16 handkerchiefs.

Crossfield Sewing Circle	3 surgical shirts, 1 day shirt, 5 M.T. bandages, 3 handkerchiefs.
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Inverlea Sewing Circle	: 33 T. bandages, 6 M.T. bandages, 21 handkerchiefs.
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Mrs. McMichael	1 pair socks.
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Miss R. Fraser	1 day shirt.
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Mrs. L. V. Biss	4 washrags.
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Mrs. J. Morrison	1 pair socks.
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Eiba Sewing Circle	: 1 nightshirt.
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6 M.T. bandages	, 14 T. bandages.
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James Scholefield	2 handkerchiefs.
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Mrs. Conrad	1 pair socks, 2 suits pajamas.
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Mrs. Myers	1 pair socks.
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The next sewing meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. C. Wicks.	
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A splendid donation was sent on Monday to the Convalescent Home at Ogden, from the people of this town and district. The Red Cross Society wish to thank all those who so generously responded to their call. Another donation will be sent some time later.

This week's donation consisted of the following: 26 sears of fruit, 11 jars of jelly, 2 cans corn, 6.5 lb pails of jam, 1 bottle pickles, 29 lbs butter, 2 roasts meat, 8 chickens, 4 pots jam, 3 rabbits, 100 lbs flour.

**Local and General News**

A Dance will be held at McCool's large new barn, on Friday, the 17th December, in aid of the Red Cross Fund. Everybody is invited.

Ladies are requested to supply refreshments. There is plenty of good stabling.

Don't think we are quitters yet. You will find us around, and you will find the prices right.

**Farmers Meat Market.**

A Christmas Entertainment will be given in the Union Church, on Tuesday, Dec. 21st. The children are asked to bring in supplies for the Rescue Homes of the Salvation Army, Calgary.

Our latest addition to the Empire Defenders is W. A. M. Hallett, of Rodney, who has joined the 89th Battalion.

Don't Forget the Pigott-Kelly Fun Makers will be at the I.O.O.F. Hall, Crossfield, on Wednesday Evening, December 15th, 1915.

There will be a meeting of the Crossfield Stallion Owners' Association at the Fire Hall, on Saturday, December 11th.

**Announcement.**

Gospel Meetings are being held on Sundays, at 3 p.m., at the residence of C. Holtgren, and on Wednesday's at 7:30 p.m., at Mr. Jas. Smart's place, 3 miles south of Crossfield. A very cordial invitation is extended to all to attend these meetings. We will also come the co-operation of all interested in the extension of God's Kingdom. Subjects such as: "Has God revealed to man His purpose and plan of Salvation? and How?" "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, to-day, and for ever, is it for to-day? if so what is the meaning of it?"

COME, AND BRING OTHERS.

C. HOLTGREN.

**Buying Hay in Alberta Now for British Forces.****British Government Officials Taking Limited Quantity of Baled Timothy.**

Since the outbreak of war the Dominion department of agriculture has been sending regular quantities of hay from Eastern Canada to France on account of the Imperial war office, shipping from Montreal during the season of navigation in the St. Lawrence, and from St. John and Halifax during the winter months. About the time this year's crop of hay was being harvested the department learned that there would be a large crop of timothy hay in this province, with little or no prospect of a market for it. This news was confirmed by the Provincial department of agriculture, which furnished an estimate of the quantity likely available for export from this province, and the probable price at which it could be bought. The Hon. Martin Burrell, federal minister of agriculture, was extremely anxious to provide the Alberta farmer with a market for this surplus hay, and the officials of his department who are charged with the purchase and shipment of hay for the War Office set to work on the proposition to get fresh rates and other expenses down to such a point that Alberta timothy hay could be landed in France within the War Office cost.

**Scheme is Devised**

With a bulky commodity such as hay this was some job, but through the cordial co-operation of the Canadian Pacific Railway company, the commissioners and farmers they granted the Department, a workable scheme was devised that would allow, under the conditions existing, a fair price to the grower of the hay.

J. A. Ruddick, Dominion dairy and cold storage commissioner, Ottawa, who is well known in this province, is in charge of this phase of the department's work; and his assistant, W. W. Moore, arrived in Calgary a few days ago to make the necessary local arrangements to develop an organization at this end capable of taking care of this business.

**Will Buy Timothy**

Details have now been perfected and Mr. Moore has made the statement that a limited quantity of No. 1 Alberta timothy will be required by the department during the winter months, equivalent to the sum of \$1.00 per ton. Cars in sufficient numbers will be required to transport the hay to the port of loading, and the grower will have to employ the buyer to pay the grade it, ship the cars and pay the farmers.

Up to a day or two ago it was thought that the price of the northern growers would be only \$0.90 per ton, and to this effect was circulated in some sections.

Mr. Moore has now been able to determine a reasonable price of 50 cents a ton, and wishes the growers generally to understand that they will be entitled to \$0.90 per ton for all timothy hay grading up to and including No. 1.

Beside the preliminary inspection at shipping points by the buyer, the hay will be subject to a rigid inspection by a government inspector of Calgary and all hay refused here will be at the risk and expense of the buyer.

**Definition of Grases**

The following is the definition of No. 1 grade:

"Timothy with not more than one-eighth of other tame grasses mixed, of good color, well cured, free from stubble, spear grass and wild barley, commonly known as fox tail."

A proportion of No. 2 timothy will also be accepted up to one-third of the total quantity shipped. Following is the definition for No. 2:

"Timothy with not more than one-quarter of other tame grasses mixed, of fair color, sound, well cured, free from stubble, spear grass and wild barley, commonly known as fox tail."

The price to the grower for the second grade will be \$8.25 per ton in the north, and \$8.50 per ton in the south.

If the farmers will take care to trim their stocks and not haul the hay on the top, bottom and sides, there is no reason why mostly all the timothy grown in this province should not grade No. 1. If the grower will not take the trouble he will get enough discolored hay in his bales to throw a considerable proportion into the number two grade and receive \$1.25 per ton less than he otherwise would. The trimmings of the stack will feed his stock and he will be amply repaid for the labor involved.

**Empire Defenders.**

We print below a list of the men from the Crossfield district who have joined the ranks of our Empire Defenders.

Should any names have been omitted and any of our readers be able to supply us with the same we should be glad to include same.

Lieut. Col. B. L. Boyle, 10th Batt.

Killed in Action.

W. G. Mundell, Princess Pats., Killed in Action.

Chas. Thomas, 9th, Band.

O. J. Umphart, 12th Mountain Rifles.

John Chesser,

Jas. Watt,

W. H. Borton,

John Lewis,

D. D. Ross,

D. R. Lewis,

Robt. Salter, 31st Batt.

Jerry Miller,

John Faller,

Peasley Courier,

L. L. Brown,

A. M. Boyle,

Frank Lawcock, 50th Batt.

John Galbraith,

J. J. Hunter,

B. E. Grant,

Piper,

P. G. Swann, 51st Batt.

W. G. Clark,

W. G. Penwick, 50th Batt.

Jack Collier,

Charles Collins,

R. Landsburgh,

John Black,

C. W. Atkinson, Medical Corps.

Jas. Hy. Whitfield, 82nd Batt.

A. Fraser, 4th Field Co. Engineers

C. F. Thorpe

Charlie Knight, 31st Batt.

David Grant,

H. C. Miller,

G. T. Cornwell, 82nd Batt.

Bert Woledge,

Jas. Fisher,

J. E. Clinton, 82nd Batt.

S. Dawson, 50th Batt.

Douglas Hall, 50th Batt.

R. H. Hunter, 13th Mounted

A. C. Weston,

A. V. Goodland, 50th Batt. Corporal.

Jesse Fike

F. Ekelhoesch

J. L. Lewis,

Frank R. Parker, Senn.

W. B. Edward, 50th Batt.

**Lodge Cards****CROSSFIELD LODGE I.O.O.F.**

No.  42

Meets Every Wednesday Night in the Oldfield Hall at 8 p.m.

Visitors, Brethren Welcome.

A. JESSIMAN, A. W. GORDON, Rec.-Sec'y.

**Council Meetings**

The council of the Village of Crossfield will meet in the Council Chamber over Fire Hall on the first Monday of each month, commencing with February at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

By Order of the Village Council  
W. McRory, Sec-Treas.

**Lost**

Lost a POCKET BOOK, containing Dollar Bills and other Papers. Finder will be suitably rewarded on returning same to Chronicle Office.

Lost, a Collie PUP, about eight months old, yellow and white. Believed to have followed a team into town from Beaverdam, on Thursday, December 2nd.

Suitable reward will be given for its recovery. --Apply Chronicle Office.

**FOR SALE.**

For Sale, about 250 bushels of Hulless Barley, with some Bearded Barley in it. Apply to Wm. Keil, Crossfield.

**FOR SALE--A Quantity of Household Furniture and Utensils.--Apply to**

J. H. Wiggins, Crossfield.

**WANTED**

WANTED--Quarter Section of Land for Pasture, with about 20 or 50 acres broke. Good Stabs.--Address Box 71, Crossfield.

**Train Service.**

North Bound 1-04

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South Bound 6-30

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**SUNDAYS.**

North Bound 15-03

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## War Mad Kaiser

A Misguided Autocrat Leading the Germans to Ruin

The ethical ideas of Wilhelm II., Emperor of Germany, have entirely changed, and there has been loss and expansion of "Prussianism" in its cruelest sense, is the opinion expressed by Poultney Bigelow, for years editor of "The War," author of the Kaiser, and author of "The German Emperor and His Neighbors," "The Borderland of Czar and Kaiser," and "The Great German Strike for Liberty." Mr. Bigelow was the principal speaker at the formal opening of the University of Victoria. These views, however, were expressed in an interview with the writer.

"The German Emperor's ethical ideas have entirely changed," he said. Mr. Bigelow, "since I knew him as a lad. Then he was a normal, healthy, average boy. Now he is not a man of reason and an exponent of Prussianism in its cruelest sense, he has knowingly consented to the cruel and wanton destruction of the Germans in this war. The use to which poison gas and the submarine have been put by the Germans is in keeping with the spirit of the man, derived from a people who have come to regard themselves as the omnipotent masters of the world."

Whatever they are, the German people see only one side of the Kaiser—the personal or the family side.

"The king, the father, the son, the king father, the clean family man. They are so infatuated with prussian ideals that they fall into him in his true character, the stupid autocrat leading them to ruin."

"Undivided praise is heard on all sides and most of it is along the following lines:

"The Allies will win. Of course they will. The strength of the Allies is greater than that of the Germans and it is this strength that will tell to the end."

"The Allies will not win. She is like the fabled serpent which, being cut in two, united again and is as strong as ever. Russia will again gather strength and sweep over Prussia. This time it will be final. The Russians are fine, virile people. You can't overestimate their strength. They know now when they are beaten."

"If the Allies do win, Germany will lose Alsace-Lorraine, and all her colonies. It is the same that she and all her colonies are lost."

"Germany is today a mad nation, and she must be treated as such. You won't let my body be buried in France."

"Germany has shown a marked incapacity for colonization. There will, therefore, be no great demand that she give up her colonies at the close of the war."

"The German Emperor is leading his people into hell. He is led by the mad Kaiser, by those around him. When I knew him he was normal, now he is the leader of Prussianism, and Prussianism is present sense, is the curse of the world."

"The Germans will go down to defeat, unless around the Kaiser. He will be their hero as he is his leader now."

## German Subs are Scarce

Not Many of the German Submarines Now Left

Hon. Arthur Balfour, First Lord of the Admiralty, informs us that the worst of the German submarine war is over, and losses inflicted by the German submarines are far from irretrievable.

They are more than formidable, they are irretrievable. When this was written, still more than 100 experience in fighting the underwater craft. We had to learn, but after the battle of the Cressey and the Aboukir, there was a rapid development of the Hawke, and it took a long time before the Germans did anything to the Farnel. But we have grappled with the difficulties and are now fit for tracing submarines—immediately they enter given areas that are among the most dangerous sections of the Bay. What is most remarkable among those acquainted with naval work is that we can trace a submarine in the coasting areas, and the curious formation of the way it creates on the surface. Our sailors are now trained to pick out the wave-like surface, using sonic air bubbles. Once on this trail, the submarine is doomed. It has no escape. But there are not many German submarines now left, and those that remain, owing to them, bring them up.

Life in these submarines is on a razor's edge. The Germans know that the submarine is a temporary weapon, swept from the sea the bulk of its submarines. It takes years to train the highly-skilled men for submarine work.

Madagascar possesses the only organized cavalry regiment in the world. Its horses are well trained, and the horses that some subordinates had to be found. The oxen have been trained to maneuver with surprising skill, but are not especially speedy.

### What It Was

Willie—The last time I was here, you were puzzled over a peculiar mark which I found on the wall. Did you solve it?

Gillie—Yes. It is evidently the place where the rain comes in from the outside, and the water leaking up from the cellar.

It may be doubted if any addition could be made to the advantage which is had in the most effective manner, would be correspondingly great.

In order to have definite data for merchants, manufacturers and producers to go upon, the forestry branch of the department of industry has conducted an inquiry into the wood-using industries of Canada.

The results are given to the public in a series of bulletins dealing with provinces and groups of provinces.

Ontario and the Maritime Provinces have been the chief concern and interest of the Wood-Using Industries of the Prairie Provinces is the latest to be issued. This bulletin shows the total amount of timber used in the timber provinces, and the area which is before the country, providing a comprehensive system of national highways, has as yet dawndown in the past few years.

Other important facts concerning this feature of Canadian trade and industry are to follow. Copies of the bulletin may be had free of charge, application to the director of forestry, department of the interior, Ottawa.

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### What is courage?

"Courage, boy, that is what your father shows when he keeps his shoes on when he comes into the house several hours later than he told his mother he would be."

### Courage

"Mrs. Wye—Your maid is too familiar. You should make her keep her place.

Mrs. Wye—if I made her keep her place she'd quit her job."

## British Admire Joffre

His Brain Planned the Recent Big Offensive in Champagne.

To a neutral observer, at least in the publication of the reports of the great offensive movement begun by the British in those circles in which the center of the world's attention is, the question is the great admiration of the British for General Joffre, the French commander-in-chief.

Even the critics are unanimous in admitting that the brain that planned the defenses which stretch from the Pyrenees to the Rhine, which initiated the great offensive movement is the brain of the great French soldier. Adverse criticism has never failed to find a place in the present phase of the war, and some writers have laughed at the fact that most of the picturesqueness of the movement reported in his decorations and giving the "accident" many, both in the army and out of the ranks, a new lease of life. It is agreed that, although nothing could detract from the glory gained by the British troops in the war from the French, the British have not been able to do as much as the French, which began on the 25th, the man behind the great movement is the French general.

Undivided praise is heard on all sides and most of it is along the following lines:

"The best we can realize dimly what it means to be a commander-in-chief in the great war, to maneuver armies over half a continent, conduct an offensive, have had no

battles, and win them, which mean nothing taken only by one and everything taken."

"In France to doubt there have been many, both in the army and out of it, who have chafed at the delay, the lack of energy, the lack of initiative, the soldier should be allowed to do the work for which he is temperamentally fitted—attack. Doubtless he will be allowed to do the latter, but the question of the wisdom of keeping men of such volatile spirits penned up in barracks, or in the rear, is a question which the French, which is so much more steadfast than the old, and above all he knows his plan. He will be allowed to do the former, and we hope to please the readers of newspapers, he calls that murder."

"I do not mind if for months nothing picturesquely happens. The French are fine, virile people. They can't overestimate their strength. They know when they are beaten."

"If the Allies do win, Germany will be lost. She is like the fabled serpent which, being cut in two, united again and is as strong as ever. Russia will again gather strength and sweep over Prussia. This time it will be final. The Russians are fine, virile people. You can't overestimate their strength. They know now when they are beaten."

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## Our National Highways

Road Improvement in Canada is of Vital Interest

The problem of road improvement and extension in Canada is receiving special attention at the present time, in those circles in which the center of the world's attention is, the organization of the various phases of national energy which are attacking this, one of the major problems of the day. The road system has reached a much more advanced stage than that which exists in Canada, and the city, the town or the district municipality, the county, the province, the nation at large, each of these has been compelled to take up the great system of highways throughout the country. The artificial boundaries which have been created by the various administrative divisions of the government do not affect or destroy the wider significance of the good roads problem. It is the road system which has been controlled by the government, and the road system is of vital interest to the nation.

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## German Prisoners at Loos

Hundreds of Them Rounded up With Little Difficulty by the British

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## Crawl to Freedom From German Camp

Two British Prisoners of War Cut Barbed Wire and Flew at Night

An interesting account of the escape of two British prisoners of war, one a sergeant and the other a private of a British light infantry regiment, from a German camp at night is given below.

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## Banner School Destroyed by Fire

On Monday morning last, at 2:45 a.m., a smilng fire was discovered at the Banner School House, which is situated on Sec. 10, 29, R. 2. The outbreak was discovered by the employees of the Circle N Ranch. As the fire had got such a hold on the school nothing could be done to save that building, and attention was turned to the stable and outbuildings. These they were able to save. The origin of the fire is a mystery, the heater not having had anything put on after recess in the afternoon. The school, which contained the nucleus of a good library, an organ, pictures, along with the school records were completely destroyed. The building has been partially re-erected and decorated, and were used for Sunday services and other purposes, for which it was well adapted, and will be a great loss to the people of the district. The building was partly covered by insurance. Thanks are due to the men of the Circle N Ranch for their prompt action, they undoubtedly were the means of saving the stable, which was just on the point becoming another big blaze.

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## Prohibition and Public Accommodation.

In the Hotel Act of 1915, the Saskatchewan Government has taken great pains not only to secure ample accommodation for the travelling public, but also to create a social centre for towns and villages and for the farmers such as we have never possessed. It gives a splendid opportunity for all public spirited citizens to make a decided advance in the social well-being of the community.

The Act provides a Director of Accommodation for the Province, assisted by an Advisory Council. His duty will be to offer advice and suggestions to Municipal Councils and to give assistance in many ways in the creating of the social centres.

The Municipal Councils are given powers to license, regulate and inspect not only hotels, but restaurants, cafes and boarding houses, in order that the accommodation may be worthy of the place. It has power to provide for a rest and reading room, and to make regulations for its maintenance.

In order that the question of accommodation may be dealt with effectively the Act provides for the creation of a local advisory board whose chief duty will be to deal with the problem in all its phases and transmit its suggestions and conclusions to the municipal council. To this board of five members is assigned the important work of investigating generally the question of public accommodation and to suggest ways and means to the municipal authorities for maintaining or improvising accommodation for the community, and may become an important factor in the creation of public interest in this phase of community welfare.

The council of a town or village may encourage the establishment of a rest or reading room in the public hotel by giving a grant of \$200 or less for each year. Each rural municipality adjacent to the village or town may grant for the same purpose a sum not exceeding \$20 from each division.

The Provincial Government may through the director give financial assistance to the municipal councils for the next two and a half years—diminishing with each half year to tide them over the period of readjustment.

The legislation represents the best statesmanship and is worthy of the deepest consideration of the citizens of Alberta. On Tuesday of this week the Old, High River and Calgary Districts of the Methodist Church, meeting in Calgary, at the Central Methodist Church, strongly endorsed the principles embodied in the Act, and recommended the Government of Alberta to take action along similar lines. The details of the Act may be capable of improvement, but the principle is sound. We invite correspondence on the question, particularly from the standpoint of the Municipal Councils and of the farmers.

## A FAKE IN FLY PAPER

One of the most bare-faced impositions in the sale of goods ever perpetrated on unsuspecting customers has been brought to our attention by a man who went out the other day to buy an ordinary fly paper. He came out with a box of it, all wrapped around with an attractive and highly-colored "Made-in-Canada" label. But by accident or design the label came loose, and underneath he read the very different slogan "Made-in-Germany". Without the label no one could miss noting the fact that it was a German-made article, and one cannot get away from the fact that the Made-in-Canada label was deliberately pasted on the box to cover up the sins of the seller. The man who sold these retail informs us that the labels were on the boxes when he purchased them, and that he has discovered the imitation label to be used to sell any goods. The retailer must come along with the name of the people from whom he purchased so that the fraud may be traced to its source and the perpetrators exposed.—Exchange.

## Lost, Strayed or Stolen.

From pasture on the old Manasseh Weber Farm, west of Didsbury, BAY MALE and FOAL; BLACK GELDING, star on forehead; Four young BAYS; all but the colt are branded (adult) on right hip. Reward will be given for information leading to the recovery sent to Mr. FRED MOYLE, Didsbury.

## Stray Notices.

Came to the farm of F. Custead, Airdrie, N.W. Sec. 26, tp. 27, R. 28, w. 4, one small Dark Red Heifer, 2½ years old. Branded on right rib. A

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## Crossfield Gum Fund

This was another matter that was taken up at the public meeting on Monday evening.

As this country for the suggested gum has not materialized, the question now is to the best way to dispose of the money that had been contributed in this district.

It was decided that this fund, which amounts to about \$100 be donated to the Convalescent Hospital at Ogden. If any of those who contributed to the fund have any objections to this proposal, will they please make it known to Mr. S. Collins, as soon as possible, as it was decided to leave the matter in abeyance till the 20th inst. for this purpose.

## The Returned Soldiers' Bureau

A communication was read from the headquarters of the above at the town meeting on Monday evening, suggesting that all the towns and villages appoint committees to look after and welcome the boys from the front on their return.

The matter was taken up heartily, and after some discussion it was decided to fall in with the suggestion contained in the proposed name. The following was appointed: Rev. J. F. Berry, Chairman;

E. S. McIlroy, Secretary; Morris W.

Urquhart, G. W. Boyce and R. Whitfield.

## SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST LAND REGULATIONS.

THE following is a synopsis of the laws relating to land in the Canadian Northwest Territories, any male over 16 years old may have a quarter-section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. Applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Agent's Office in the district, and by proxy may be made to any Dominion Lands Agency (but not Sub-Agency), on certain conditions.

Settlers in this country's residence, upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of not less than 60 acres, on certain conditions. A habitable house is required except where residence is performed in the vicinity.

In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter-section along his homestead. Price \$3.00 per acre.

Duties.—Six months residence in each of three years after earning homestead and in certain districts \$3.00 per acre. Duties.—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth \$500.

The area of cultivation is subject to reduction in case of rough, stony or scrubby land. Live stock may be substituted for cultivation under certain conditions.

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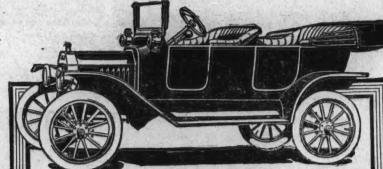
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